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SUBJECT: CSU SECRETARY GENERAL URGES PARTY LEADERSHIP TO
NAME ITS 1978 MINISTER-PRESIDENT CANDIDATE

1. JULY 18 EDITIONS OF MUNICH NEWSPAPERS CARRY STORIES REPORTING THAT CSU SECRETARY GENERAL GEROLD TANDLER HAS URGED PARTY'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO DECIDE AT EARLY DATE WHO PARTY'S CANDIDATE FOR MINISTER-PRESIDENT IN 1978 LANDTAG ELECTION SHOULD BE. ALL STORIES APPEAR BASED ON A TANDLER STATEMENT TO DPA.

2. TANDLER IS SAID TO HAVE CLAIMED THAT FAILURE TO REACH EARLY DECISION ON MINISTER-PRESIDENT CANDIDATE WOULD HAVE A NEGATIVE EFFECT ON HIS ABILITY AS SECGEN TO ORGANIZE A SUCCESSFUL CSU CAMPAIGN FOR BAVARIAN LANDTAG ELECTIONS WHICH ARE TO BE HELD IN FALL OF 1978.

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3. IN CONTRAST TO HIS PREVIOUS PUBLIC STATEMENTS, TANDLER ALSO LET IT BE KNOWN THAT HE IS CONSIDERING WHETHER HE SHOULD REMAIN CSU SECGEN UNTIL AFTER 1980 BUNDESTAG ELECTIONS. (TANDLER HAS HERETOFORE SAID THAT HE WOULD REMAIN SECGEN ONLY THROUGH 1978.)

4. COMMENT. WE INTERPRET TANDLER'S STATEMENT AS TACTICAL

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MANEUVER DESIGNED TO GOAD MEMBERS OF CSU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE INTO TAKING INITIATIVE TO PUSH CSU CHAIRMAN STRAUSS AS PARTY'S MINISTER-PRESIDENT CANDIDATE IN 1978. TANDLER WOULD NOT, REPEAT NOT, IN OUR VIEW, ENGAGE IN THIS TYPE OF MANEUVER WITHOUT A GREEN LIGHT FROM STRAUSS. TANDLER'S STATEMENT APPEARS TO INDICATE THAT STRAUSS CONTINUES TO PLACE HIGHER PRIORITY ON BECOMING MINISTER-PRESIDENT OF BAVARIA THAN ON REMAINING IN BONN AS BUNDESTAG DEPUTY.

5. WE REMAIN CONVINCED THAT STRAUSS IS DETERMINED TO PLAY MAXIMUM FEASIBLE ROLE ON NATIONAL POLITICAL SCENE WHETHER OR NOT HE BECOMES MINISTER-PRESIDENT OF BAVARIA.
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